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Jessie K. Rasmussen, Director
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Dear Ms. Rasmussen:

I am pleased to inform you that your request to amend Iowa's home and community-based services waiver for persons with mental retardation authorized under the provisions of section 1915(c) of the Social Security Act (the Act) has been approved effective May 1, 2001. The waiver amendment has been assigned control number 0242.90.R1.07. This number should be used in any subsequent correspondence.

This amendment is one of six similar amendments to the State's HCBS waivers allowing Personal Assistance Services (Consumer Directed Attendant Care) to be offered for job-related tasks at the work site. This waiver request revises the MR HCBS waiver to do the following four things:

- Add MEPD (Medicaid Buy-In) as a coverage group.
- Amend the description of Consumer Directed Attendant Care to allow provision in the workplace and the addition of attorney under durable power of attorney for health care.
- Expand the service definition of Home and Vehicle Modifications.
- Amend the supported employment payment components to prevent recipients from receiving duplicate services.

The following estimates of utilization and cost of waiver services have been approved:

<u>Period</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>Total</u>
7/1/00 - 6/30/01	2	6,775	\$ 19,899	\$	134,815,725
7/1/01 - 6/30/02	3	8,130	\$ 20,295	\$	164,996,644
7/1/02 - 6/30/03	4	9,756	\$ 20,700	\$	201,948,068
7/1/03 - 6/30/04	5	11,707	\$ 21,113	\$	247,174,130

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We conclude that information provided in your original request and in the additional information supplied conforms to the requirements of statute and regulations. We appreciate the effort and cooperation provided by your staff. If you should have any questions about this matter, please contact Brenda Jackson at (816) 426-3406.

Sincerely,

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Regional Administrator

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